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(Camp)Ootacamund,
8th May 1941.

My dear Maharaja Sahib.

I am writing to inform Your Highness, for your private information, that Sir Mirza stated to me this morning that it is his intention to tender to Your Highness his resignation to-morrow. Should Your Highness decide to accept his resignation, I am aware that Your Highness will feel that, while a valuable servant during whose term of office so much progress has been made in Mysore will be lost to the State, some of the more immediate problems confronting Your Highness will present less difficulty. I presume that, in the event of Your Highness accepting the resignation, you will appoint Mr. Madhava Rau to take over, so that there will be no break in the administration and will discuss with him and your Members of Council the distribution of port folios, appointment of Ministers and President of the Council. I am sure that Your Highness will be guided by the opinion of His Excellency, that the entrustment of the Finance port folio to a non-official is not advisable and I would even suggest for your consideration that the Public Works port folio, which is such a very important one in the Mysore State, should, anyhow to begin with, remain with an Official Minister.

I am quite sure that Your Highness will treat Sir Mirza and his several requests in a magnanimous spirit of generosity, and I do feel that when the time comes a valedictory notification would be most desirable. I would finally like to assure Your Highness of my constant desire to help Your Highness in every way possible and

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would like to express to Your Highness my sincere friendship which our personal contact has given rise to.

Yours very sincerely.

His Highness Maharaja
Sri Jaya Chamaraja wadiyar Bahadur,
Maharaja of Mysore,
The Palace, Mysore.